

BALLOT BOXES SEIZED BY STATE IN MAYORALTY SUIT

Attorney-General Jackson Takes Them All Under a Court Order and Will Use Contents as Evidence in At- tempt to Oust McClellan.

SENSATIONAL RAID BEGINS WORK OF ROUNDING UP VOTE.

Savings Bank Vault Invaded by Jackson's Men, Who Routed the President Out of Bed at 2 A. M. to Get Possession of Richmond County's Boxes.

All the ballot boxes containing the ballots cast in the Mayoralty election of Nov. 7, 1905, have been seized as evidence by Attorney-General Jackson and are under armed guard. A deputy sheriff will keep watch day and night at each of the places where the ballots are stored from now until the action brought by the Attorney-General to oust Mayor McClellan is decided by the courts.

Seizure of the ballot boxes was accomplished by virtue of an order signed last night by Supreme Court Justice Peter A. Hendrick, one of Charles F. Murphy's closest friends. The order recited that the Attorney-General had the right to take charge of the boxes, inasmuch as they contained the evidence upon which the ouster proceedings are based.

Deputy Attorney-General Rathbone and a staff of assistants started out at midnight with the order, and their methods were sensational enough. To get at the Staten Island ballot boxes, for instance, they tried to force their way into the vaults of the Staten Island Savings Bank at Stapleton, where they were stored, at 1 o'clock in the morning, and succeeded in gaining access at daylight.

Before noon the Attorney-General was in possession of the ballot boxes stored in the Manhattan Storage Warehouse, at Fifty-second street and Seventh avenue; the North Side Storage Warehouse, at One Hundred and Forty-fifth street and Third avenue, the Bronx; the Eagle Storage Warehouse, in Fulton street, Brooklyn; the Globe Storage Warehouse, in Long Island City, and the Staten Island Savings Bank at Stapleton.

These places have sheltered the ballot boxes and the ballots since William Randolph Hearst inaugurated his contest. Clarence Shearn, Mr. Hearst's personal counsel, directed the seizure of the ballot boxes.

"This matter," said Mr. Shearn to-day, "is a very simple matter. It is not in any way extraordinary. The Attorney-General has taken possession of the ballot boxes stored in different warehouses throughout the five boroughs. His authority to do this is unquestioned. The men started out at midnight and the work of re-sealing and re-labeling has been completed."

The remarkable haste in the matter is explained by the fact that the more delay the Mayor might have secured an injunction or taken some other legal steps to stop it.

Mr. Rathbone and his assistants, some of whom were heavy inspectors in the election, started their work on Staten Island. They appeared at the Stapleton bank at 2 o'clock in the morning.

Aroused the Neighborhood.

The inspectors beat on the doors of the bank and yelled for admission. No one came to admit them, but the entire neighborhood was aroused, and it was thought that the bank was being attacked by burglars. The janitor of the building was awakened and poked his head out of a window on the upper floor.

"Come down and let us into this bank!" yelled one of the inspectors. "We have an order from the Supreme Court to re-label the ballot boxes in the bank vault."

"Not much will I come," replied the janitor, "but I will call the police."

The inspectors learned that Herman Hagadorn, whose home is three miles from Stapleton, is the president of the bank, and the only man who knows the combination of the safe. The six men then filed off through the rain for Mr. Hagadorn's home. They arrived there about 3 o'clock and began beating at the front door. Mr. Hagadorn and his family were aroused and frightened, thinking their home was being bombarded by a gang of burglars.

From a window Mr. Hagadorn talked with the six men and was told that they were inspectors of election, and that they had a Supreme Court order to re-label the ballot boxes. The bank president then appeared at the door and the men pushed into the house and told him that he would be guilty of contempt of court if he disobeyed the order or delayed obeying it.

Slipping into his clothes, Mr. Hagadorn accompanied the six men back to the bank building. Then he and

SHOT TWICE IN PISTOL DUEL

There was a Wild West pistol duel in Warshaw's billiard room, at No. 69 Clinton street, this afternoon between Michael Sachs, a clothier, at Broome and Norfolk streets, and a man whom the police have been unable to find. Sachs was hit in the left arm and the right leg. His antagonist, escaped unhurt.

According to witnesses the shooting followed an argument. The room was crowded with players at the time. Sachs insists that an attempt was made to assassinate him.

GOV. HUGHES SIGNS REQUISITION FOR DR. FLOWER.

BANY, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Gov. Hughes to-day announced that he had signed the requisition upon Gov. Pennypacker, of Pennsylvania, for the extradition of Dr. Richard C. Flower, under arrest in Philadelphia, and wanted in New York on the charge of grand larceny in connection with alleged mining raids committed several years ago.

LATE NEW ORLEANS RESULTS.

Fourth—James Reddick 8-5; Goldie 1-3 pl. Alma Dufour.

HARRY THAW TRIAL MAY GET A NEW SETBACK

That there is friction between certain Justices of the Supreme Court and the District Attorney's office over the trial of Harry Thaw before Justice Greenbaum, was evidenced to-day in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court.

A half dozen cases were on the docket of the court to-day when Justice Fitzgerald took his seat. Three of them were homicide cases, while the rest were petty cases. Assistant District Attorney Train represented the prosecution, and when the calendar was called asked Justice Fitzgerald to set early dates for the trial of the homicide cases.

Charles Le Barbier, counsel for the defendants, objected in one of these cases but a few days ago and have

not yet looked at the papers," Mr. Le Barbier told the Justice, "and it would be a hardship to force me on."

"What date do you want?" inquired Justice Fitzgerald of Mr. Le Barbier. "January 18," replied Mr. Le Barbier. "That is too late," spoke up Mr. Train. "The court has heard enough," said the Justice, abruptly. "Trial fixed for January 18."

Mr. Train objected. The trial of Harry Thaw has been fixed for January 21 before Justice Greenbaum in the same courtroom and Mr. Train wanted his calendar cleared up before that time. He did not care to tell Justice Fitzgerald that he had been fixed for January 21, but when the Justice ordered that the trial of the homicide cases follow the one fixed for January 18 there was much content in the court.

Thaw's trial, therefore, it is understood, will be either postponed or held in some other court room.

SMASHED AUTO; SAVED LIVES

To avoid running down two women and two children, a chauffeur, in charge of a forty-horse-power car, to-day sped it crashing into the ironwork corner of the Circle Theatre, at Broadway and Sixteenth street. The machine, No. 36,031, N. Y., registered under the name of Blauvelt, No. 225 West Eighteenth street, was badly smashed and the wreckage tangled in the broken building iron.

The chauffeur was thrown out on his shoulder.

The driver, who refused to give his name, was coming down Broadway at a fair clip, but not speeding. Two women and two children stood near the car tracks waiting for a downtown surface car, and the chauffeur, bearing straight down upon them, tried to stop the car with the brake. The car failed to work and the car skidded.

The women and children screamed and stood rooted by fear in the path of danger. The chauffeur acted instantly. Throwing his steering wheel away over he tried to send the car in a sharp turn west on Sixteenth street.

The front wheels failed to respond completely to such a sudden turn and the car shot across the sidewalk and through the building corner. The women and children, who had narrowly escaped being run down were badly frightened, and one woman screamed to the chauffeur to have been running in the forward wheels, power-box and lamp were sent flying in the air.

AFTER RAILROAD MEN

(Special to The Evening World.) ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 8.—In- dictments of railroad officials for the death of a child, which fifty-seven persons met death in the Thoroughfare last October, may follow the charges of Grand Judge Trenchard to the Grand Jury at May's Landing to-day.

WANTS ALDERMEN INDICTED

PATERSON, N. J., Jan. 8.—In his charge Judge Pitney said that the members of the Grand Jury would be indicted in the case of the Thoroughfare, but the Board of Aldermen of this city for failure to enforce the new liquor law known as the Bishop act. The charge was that the Board of Aldermen had been hanging back before the Aldermen for four months.

GIRL MARRIES ANOTHER, HE WANTS TO END LIFE

Among the prisoners arraigned before Judge Foster in General Sessions to-day was a finely built young fellow who answered to the name of Andrew Erickson.

DERELICT SUNK PONCE IS THEORY NOW HELD

NEW YORK DOCTOR IS VICTIM OF PUZZLING MURDER IN FAR WEST

Philip E. Johnson Slain in Portland, Ore.— Pockets Rifled, but Police Say Robbery Was Not Crime Motive.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 8.—The murder in this city last night of Dr. Philip Edwards Johnson, a physician recently arrived from New York, brother of Rev. James Le Baron Johnson, is one of the most mysterious tragedies that have ever occurred in the Northwest.

Dr. Johnson came to Portland with his newly wedded wife two months ago to establish his home and practise his profession. The couple bought a site for a beautiful home in a fashionable section.

Mrs. Johnson before her marriage last fall was a Mrs. Scarborough. She is a daughter of former Gov. Hoadley, of Ohio. Dr. Johnson is a son of Episcopal Archdeacon Johnson, of Staten Island, and a graduate of Columbia University.

Soon after dining with his wife last night Dr. Johnson announced his intention of visiting a Dr. Pantion, one of the board by whom he was to have been examined for admission to practice in this state. His wife protested at his going out, fearing highwaymen. On his way Dr. Johnson called on his cousin, W. C. Alvord, assistant cashier in a local bank.

What happened at Alvord's house has not been learned. Dr. Johnson refused to make any statement for publication, and it has been told the police anything that transpired, the department is keeping it secret.

Alvord's parents, however, told the police that after leaving their home Dr. Johnson walked toward the Ford street bridge, two blocks distant, to go to Dr. Pantion's home. A short time afterward a car conductor found Johnson's mangled body in Jefferson street, 11 feet below the bridge. His pockets had been turned inside out and his watch removed. He carried a pocketbook and keys were found on the bridge above. There were no evidences of a struggle. Cards in the doctor's pocket led to his identification.

Capt. Bruin, of the Police Department, according to his statements to newspapermen, does not believe Johnson was robbed, and intimates that the murderer had a more sinister motive.

NEWS OF TRAGEDY IS KEPT FROM AGED MOTHER OF VICTIM.

The first news of the death of Dr. Philip E. Johnson at Portland, Ore., was taken to his mother, Mrs. Samuel Johnson, who lives at 100 West 10th street.

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TONOPAH PLANS FISTIC CARNIVAL

(Special to The Evening World.) TONOPAH, Nev., Jan. 8.—Mike Riley, promoter of the recent Dan-Riley fight, now wants to secure four big championship fights for the early part of April. This is the program he has mapped out as a snapper for a two-day "bagging" list canyons.

Jack O'Brien and Al Kaufman of Mike Riley's camp are the favorites for the "Kid" Hermann and Jimmy Britt. In the case of the latter, the fight is in two days for one price of admission.

The purses have not yet been decided. Mike Riley is a general demand here and in Goldfield that Hermann be matched with some one at 100 pounds ring-side. The Chicago boy has become a general favorite, despite his defeat by Gans.

ALDERMEN FAIL TO ELECT A RECORDER

After taking many more ballots the Board of Aldermen adjourned this afternoon without having chosen a Recorder in the place of John W. Goff, who has become a Justice of the Supreme Court.

In the adjourned yesterday, James Cowden Meyers, Republican, received thirty-four votes, Francis J. McAvoy, Tammany, twenty-eight, and John P. Morris, M. O. L., thirteen. There was no quorum for the election.

On the several roll calls McAvoy received thirty-four votes, Meyers thirty-four, and Palmer thirteen. Forty votes are necessary to elect.

On the fifth ballot Bird S. Coler broke away from the M. O. L. and went over to McAvoy. In spite of his speech yesterday in support of Palmer, Coler made a speech explaining his vote, and urged the Aldermen to elect McAvoy to replace the wishes of the Manhattan Aldermen, and urged them to elect together as this is an office peculiarly affecting New York County.

WILL CURE CATARRH.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—A contagious line of humanity suffering from either catarrh, asthma or bronchitis fills the waiting-rooms of the Austrian dispensary at No. 22 West Twenty-fifth street, New York City.

At Least Nine Floating Wrecks of Ships Known to Have Been in the Path of the Missing Porto Rican Steamer

BATTLE-SHIPS JOIN IN THE SEARCH FOR HER.

Navy Department Orders Connecticut, Which Sailed To-day For Porto Rico, to Cover Course of Liner, Which May Have Been Passed In Night.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The Navy Department has telegraphed instructions to Capt. Swift, commanding the battleship Connecticut, which sailed to-day from Hampton Roads for the island of Culebra, off the coast of Porto Rico, to do everything possible to discover some trace of the missing steamship Ponce, now nine days overdue at New York from Porto Rico.

Capt. Swift has arranged his cruise so as to have the Connecticut pass through the waters where the Ponce may be drifting in the daylight hours, for he believes that the vessels that have arrived at New York from Porto Rico without having seen the Ponce may have passed her in the night.

DID DERELICT SINK HER?

That while running at full speed in a fog or shrouded in a night mist the steamship Ponce crashed into a sunken derelict and went to the bottom with her crew of fifty-two men and seven passengers, is the belief of Capt. Hunt, the naval officer in charge of the local Hydrographic Office.

Nine treacherous derelicts have been located in the path of coastwise traffic off Cape Henry and Hatteras within the past few weeks, and it is upon one of these that Capt. Hunt believes the Ponce crashed, driving a hole in her bottom that caused her to sink.

SHAH IS DYING; HIS MINISTERS ARE SUMMONED

Ruler of Persia Takes Bad Turn and Sinks Steadily.

TEHRAN, Jan. 8.—P. M.—The Shah is dying. The Ministers have been summoned to the palace.

A decided change for the worse was noted in the condition of the royal patient early to-day, and this afternoon he was reported as sinking steadily.

The attending physicians were constantly at his bedside, in the hope of bringing about a rally, but this evening they are hopeless, and it was on their advice that the Ministers were summoned.

All Records of All Newspapers Beaten

1,397,245

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New York, December 31, 1906.

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The World	1,397,245
The Herald	1,165,896
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